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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULEMAKING

The Director of the Department of Health, pursuant to the authority set forth under section 302 (14) of the District of Columbia Health Occupations Revision Act of 1985, effective March 15, 1986 (D.C. Law 6-99; D.C. Official Code § 3-1203.02(14)) (2001), and Mayor's Order 98-140, dated August 20, 1998, hereby gives notice of his intent to take final rulemaking action to adopt the following amendments of Chapter 47 of Title 17 DCMR (Business, Occupations & Professions) (May 1990) of the District of Columbia Municipal Regulations (DCMR) in not less than thirty (30) days from the date of publication of this notice in the D.C. Register. The purpose of the amendments is to clarify the practice requirements for acupuncturists.

Chapter 47 (Acupuncture) of Title 17 (Business, Occupations & Professions) (May 1990) is amended as follows:

Section 4700.1 is amended to read as follows:

4700.1 This chapter shall apply to applicants for and holders of a license to practice acupuncture.

Section 4700.2 is amended to read as follows:

4700.2 Chapter 40 (Health Occupations: General Rules) and 41 (Health Occupations: Administrative Procedures) of this title shall supplement this chapter.

Sections 4700.3, 4712.1, 4712.2, 4712.3, 4712.4, 4712.7, 4712.8, 4712.9, 4712.10, and 4713 are repealed.

All persons wishing to comment on this proposed rulemaking shall submit written comments no later than thirty (30) days after the date of publication of this notice in the D.C. Register to the Department of Health, Office of the General Counsel, 825 North Capitol Street, N.E., 4th Floor, Washington, D.C. 20002. Copies of the proposed rules may be obtained between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding holidays, at the address listed above.

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Section 7303 of Title 17 (DCMR (Business, Occupations & Professions) (May 1990) is amended to read as follows:

Section 7303.1 is amended to read as follows:

7303.1 An applicant shall furnish proof satisfactory to the Director that the applicant has successfully completed an educational program by obtaining a high school diploma, its equivalent or greater.

Section 7303.2 is amended to read as follows:

7303.2 In addition to the requirement in § 7303.1, the Director shall register an applicant who furnishes proof satisfactory to the Director that the applicant has obtained the equivalent of two (2) years full-time experience, that is, at least four thousand (4,000) hours, providing direct, supervised addiction counseling services to persons with the primary problem of chemical dependency, and has completed a minimum of two hundred (200) hours of training or education in the following knowledge and skill areas:

- (a) Twelve (12) hours in Pharmacology;
- (b) Twelve (12) hours in Signs and Symptoms;
- (c) Six (6) hours in Rules and Regulations;
- (d) Twelve (12) hours in Models of Counseling Service and Treatment;
- (e) Eighty (80) hours in Counseling Theory and Dynamics;
- (f) Twelve (12) hours in Assessment and Treatment Planning;

- (g) Twenty (24) hours in Human Development;
- (h) Twelve (12) hours in Ethics;
- (i) Six (6) hours in HIV/AIDS and;
- (j) Six (6) hours in DSM-IV(R) Mental Health/Dual Diagnosis.

A new section 7303.3 is added to read as follows:

7303.3 The applicant shall submit the following directly to the Director:

- (a) Original transcripts mailed from the school; and
- (b) Documentation of training.

A new section 7303.4 is added to read as follows:

7303.4 In addition to the requirements in § 7303.1, an applicant shall furnish proof satisfactory to the Director that he or she has completed two hundred (200) hours of clinical supervision under one (1) or more licensed mental health providers with substance abuse training who have documented the required hours and evaluated the quality of the supervised work.

A new section 7303.5 is added to read as follows:

7303.5 The Director shall register an applicant who furnishes proof satisfactory to the Director that the applicant holds a current and valid certificate as an addition counselor from a regulatory board in another jurisdiction of the United States, the Washington Metropolitan Area Addictions Counselors Credentialing Board, or its successor, the DC Certification Board/Alcohol and other Drugs of Abuse, or its successor, or the National Association of Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Counselors, or its successor.

All persons desiring to comment on the subject matter of this proposed rulemaking should file comments in writing not later than thirty days after the date of publication of this notice in the D.C. Register. Comments should be sent to the Department of Health, Office of the General Counsel, 825 North Capitol Street, N.E., 4th Floor, Washington, D.C. 20002. Copies of the proposed rule may be obtained from the Department at the same address during the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding holidays.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
1333 H STREET, N.W., SUITE 200, WEST TOWER
WASHINGTON, DC 20005

NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULEMAKING

**TELEPHONE TARIFF 05-4, IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF
VERIZON WASHINGTON, DC INC. FOR AUTHORITY TO AMEND THE
GENERAL SERVICES TARIFF, P.S.C. – D.C. NO. 203 AND THE LOCAL
EXCHANGE SERVICES TARIFF, P.S.C.-D.C.-NO. 202**

1. The Public Service Commission of the District of Columbia ("Commission") hereby gives notice, pursuant to D.C. Code § 2-505 (2001), of its intent to act upon the Application of Verizon Washington, DC Inc.¹ ("Verizon DC") in the above-captioned matter in not less than thirty (30) days from the date of the publication of this Notice of Proposed Rulemaking ("NOPR") in the *D.C. Register*.

2. On December 22, 2005, Verizon DC filed an application requesting authority to amend the following tariff pages:

GENERAL SERVICES TARIFF, P.S.C.-D.C. NO. 203

Section 4, 4TH Revised Page 5

2ND Revised Page 6

Section 9, 4TH Revised Page 2

3. This filing proposes to increase the rates for Business and Residence Directory Assistance service from \$0.46 to \$0.50, Non Published Listing service from \$0.89 to \$1.02, Non Listed service from \$0.47 to \$0.54 and Residential Additional Listing service from \$1.89 to \$2.17. Verizon DC alleges that these increases are within the caps established by Price Cap Plan 2004, adopted by the Commission in Formal Case No. 1005, Order No. 13370 dated September 9, 2004.

4. The complete text of the tariff pages is on file with the Commission. Copies of the proposed tariff pages can be reviewed at the Office of the Commission Secretary, 1333 H Street, N.W., Seventh Floor East Tower, Washington, D.C. 20005, between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. Copies of the tariff pages are available upon request, at a per-page reproduction cost.

5. Comments regarding the proposed tariff revisions, setting forth the specific grounds for each representation, should be made in writing to Dorothy Wideman, Commission Secretary, at the above address. All comments must be received within thirty (30) days of the date of publication of this Notice in the *D.C. Register*. Persons

¹ D.C. Code Ann. § 2-505 (2001).

wishing to file reply comments may do so no later than forty-five (45) days from the date of publication of this Notice in the D.C. Register. Once the comment and reply periods have expired, the Commission will take final action on Verizon DC's Application.

**DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA TAXICAB COMMISSION
PANEL ON RATES AND RULES**

NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULEMAKING

The District of Columbia Taxicab Commission ("Commission"), by its Panel on Rates and Rules, pursuant to the authority set forth under sections 8(b)(1)(I) and 9(b) of the District of Columbia Taxicab Commission Establishment Act of 1985, effective March 25, 1986, (D.C. Law 6-97; D.C. Official Code §§ 50-307(b) (1)(I), and 50-308(b)), hereby gives notice of its proposed rulemaking action taken October 12, 2005, to add § 501.5 to Chapter 5 of Title 31 of the District of Columbia Municipal Regulations ("DCMR"). The proposed rulemaking adds a penalty provision for failure to timely file information required in §§ 501.1 and 501.2 of section 501 of this chapter. Final rulemaking action shall not be taken in less than thirty (30) days from the date of publication of this notice in the D.C. Register.

The following section in 31 DCMR Chapter 5 is added as follows:

501 FILING REQUIREMENTS

- 501.5 Any taxicab association or company that fails to timely file information as required in §§ 501.1 and 501.2 of this section shall be subject to a civil fine of two hundred and fifty dollars (\$250).

Any person desiring to file written comments on the Panel's proposed rulemaking action must do so not later than thirty (30) days after the publication of this notice in the District of Columbia Register. Comments should be filed with Kimberly A. Lewis, Attorney Advisor and Secretary, District of Columbia Taxicab Commission, 2041 Martin Luther King, Jr., Avenue, S.E., Suite 204, Washington, D.C. 20020. Copies of the proposed rulemaking may be obtained by writing to the above address.